

**U .S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
**CRIMINAL DIVISION**  
**RESIDENT LEGAL ADVISOR FOR BRAZIL**

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**About the Office:** The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so they can cooperate more fully with the Department of Justice in combating terrorism, trafficking in persons, organized crime, corruption, and financial crimes.

**Responsibilities and**

**Opportunity Offered:** The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) in Brasilia, Brazil. This assignment is for a term of one year with the possibility of an extension contingent upon the availability of funding. **(This is a reimbursable detail.)** The RLA will represent the U.S. Department of Justice and OPDAT and implement a justice sector assistance program. The RLA will work with host country officials to assess the criminal justice sector and to provide technical and developmental assistance. The RLA will help develop and institutionalize programs to enhance the abilities of the Brazilian Government to address corruption, money laundering, intellectual property rights violations, violent crimes, and gang activities. The RLA will help reform the penal and the criminal procedure codes, to include introducing techniques such as vetted task forces, plea bargaining and the use of informants.

**Qualifications: Required qualifications:** Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. **Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or Assistant United States Attorney** and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level. An applicant must have excellent interpersonal skills; possess the ability to function effectively in a multi-cultural environment; be mature and self-sufficient; be able to efficiently initiate and manage work projects; possess extensive experience investigating and prosecuting crimes concerning money laundering, intellectual property rights, corruption and gang activities; and be fluent in Portuguese spoken in Brazil, that is, be able to understand all forms and styles of speech and to use spoken Portuguese fluently and accurately on all levels normally pertinent to professional needs; and be proficient in written Portuguese.

**Preferred qualifications:** Comparative law or other experience gained working or traveling within a Latin American context is desired, but is not essential.

**Travel:** The position may require some travel within the country and the region.

**Salary Information:** Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate

salary level. (See OPM's Web page at [www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm](http://www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm))

**Location:** The RLA will be stationed in Brasilia, Brazil beginning in September 2007.

**Relocation Expenses:** Relocation expenses are authorized.

**Submission Process**

**and Deadline Date:** Interested applicants should send a resume and cover letter as soon as possible to the attention of Amy Young, Acting Regional Director, Latin America and the Caribbean Region, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT), Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 10<sup>th</sup> and Pennsylvania Aves., NW, Washington, DC 20530. Faxed or email submissions are acceptable. The fax number is: (202) 616-6770. The email address is: [amy.young@usdoj.gov](mailto:amy.young@usdoj.gov).

This process remains open until the position is filled.